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In re application of:

Bryan, et al.

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Sir:

Enclosed are the following documents regarding the above-identified patent application:

- 1. Amendment in response to the Office Action dated March 18, 2005;
- 2. This transmittal in duplicate; and
- 3. Return postcard.

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Respectfully submitted,

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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

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Dear Examiner:

In response to the Office communication of March 18, 2005, please consider the following:

Listing of the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.